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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

Japanese Publication No. 64-88550 April 3, 1989

Japanese Publication No. 10-186628 July 14, 1998

Japanese Publication No. 57-207256 December 18, 1982

Japanese Publication No. 7-248610 September 26, 1995

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Japanese Publication No. 6-301194 October 28, 1994

Japanese Publication No. 10-10699 January 16, 1998

Japanese Publication No. 6-90999 November 14, 1994

Japanese Publication No. 57-62052 September 30, 1980

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Japanese Publication No. 58-173744 February 9, 1983

Japanese Publication No. 62-67514 September 20, 1985

Japanese Publication No. 62-67547 September 20, 1985

Japanese Publication No. 63-304257 April 20, 1988

Japanese Publication No. 3-263045 March 14, 1990

Attached are statements of relevance for the first eight Japanese patent publications listed above. The final five Japanese publications are cited and discussed in the present Specification.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialled copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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